

KILLAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

February 9, 2024

KPS Activity Calendar

Click the red button to access google calendar! Take a look at our upcoming events!

Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Survey

Alberta Education provincial satisfaction survey collection will be underway Jan. 2024 and completed by the end of March. Data being collected by the Alberta government will help to determine how well the education system is achieving its goals, ensuring that it continues to meet the needs of Albertans.

The survey will be sent to parents or guardians of students in Grades 4-9. Please see the attached [information letter](#). Your code has been mailed to you through Canada Post.

The results of this survey help our school make planning decisions for the future. To get the best perspective of our strengths and areas of improvement, we hope that all families will take the time to complete this survey. If you have any questions, or need support, please call the school.

Real Time Reporting

Our teachers have been working hard to ensure they are communicating through Powerschool as we have shifted to real-time reporting. We understand that people may still have questions and need support as we navigate this new process. Asking questions is the best way to help us help you! Below you will find information to help you further understand the letters/words used in Elementary reporting:

Grades 1-3

N - Not Meeting, the student is not meeting the curricular outcomes

D - Developing, the student is developing their skills to meet the curricular outcomes

A - Achieving, the student is achieving the curricular outcomes

P - Proficient, the student is proficient in the curricular outcomes

Grades 4-6

N - Not Meeting, the student is not meeting the curricular outcomes

D - Developing, the student is developing their skills to meet the curricular outcomes

A - Achieving, the student is achieving the curricular outcomes

P - Proficient, the student is proficient in the curricular outcomes

E - Excelling, the student is excelling in the curricular outcomes

Grades 7-9

All marks are reported in percentages

Learning Behaviours (all grades) are reported using the following descriptors:

C - Consistently displays skills/behaviour

U - Usually displays skills/behaviour

S - Sometimes displays skills/behaviour

R - Rarely displays skills/behaviour

Parents may not all know the abbreviations for different learning periods and how the marks are calculated in each period. On the PowerSchool app dashboard, just under the title "Dashboard", you will find the 'Class Overview'. If you look to the right hand side, there is a dropdown menu that includes numerous 'codes' that you can select. Below is a description of each code and what information you will find if you select one.

Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 - This stands for quarters. At KPS, junior high marks are entered in quarters. Q1 runs Sept - Nov; Q2 runs Nov - Jan; Q3 runs Feb - Apr and Q4 runs Apr - June. By clicking on one of these codes, you will see the mark that corresponds with the work that has been done in each quarter of a year. Each quarter, junior high students receive new options. We are currently in Q3.

T1, T2, T3 - This stands for terms. At KPS elementary marks are entered in terms. T1 runs from Sept - Dec; T2 runs from Dec - Mar and T3 runs from Mar - June. By clicking on one of these codes, you will see the mark that corresponds with the work that has been done in each term of the year. We are currently in T2.

S1, S2 - This stands for semesters. The school year is broken into two equal semesters, at KPS, we do not run semestered courses.

23-24 - This is the entire year. If you click on this code, it allows you to see the cumulative mark for the entire year. Many parents prefer this code as it gives a picture of the student's achievement over the course of the year.

Remember, we are here to help!

Informed Consent

As previously mentioned, we have moved to online informed consent forms. All consent forms for upcoming activities will need to be signed in your Rycor account. Once you have signed the forms, they will be added to your cart. As a final step, you will need to go into your cart to make the final form submission. As a new process, we know that there will be questions and you may need support. Please call the school and we will help you through this process.

Today, the form for downhill skiing has been added to your Rycor account. We would appreciate if all forms could be completed by Feb. 27. 80% of our students need to attend this activity or it will be canceled. To submit the form on Rycor, you will need to make your payment for the activity before the form is submitted to the school. The skating form will be sent home next week as well.

Jo Outloud - Starting a Social Media Conversation

On Monday, February 5 grade 4-9 students from KPS, Sedgwick and Daysland had the opportunity to learn from Jo Phillips, known as 'Jo Outloud', a Social Media expert. Her message focused on the importance of having conversations with safe adults about things they might struggle with on Social Media and the necessity of working together to come up with solutions to problems they encounter. In the evening, parents, grandparents and community members joined Jo to learn how they could start this conversation with kids in their lives. For those who are looking for more information, check out [this resource](#) to help start the conversation. We are grateful to FIRST for sponsoring both the student and parent presentations.



Kougar Athletics

Basketball



Mini-Dunkers

Reminder practices on Monday, Wednesday and Friday Lunch times. There are no after school commitments!!

Upcoming Tournament

March 13, 2024 in Forestburg - Times TBA

Junior High Boys

Junior High Boys had a great game in Tofield, unfortunately they didn't get a win this time!

Junior High Girls

CONGRATS to the girls winning against Tofield!! They are undefeated this year!

Upcoming Games

February 12, 2024 in Killam vs Sedgewick start time 5:00 p.m. for girls and boys follow after.

Skating

All grades (Kindergarten to grade 9) will be going skating for three days in March. If your child does not have skates, we have a limited supply of extra skates at the school. All students will be responsible for supplying their own CSA approved skating or winter sport helmet (bike helmets are

not allowed). If you have extra helmets at home that are **not expired** or extra skates that you are willing to lend or donate, please let the office know. We also appreciate any parents that are able to volunteer to tie skates that day. The permission form will have a checkbox to indicate if you have a helmet, if you need skates and if you are able to volunteer.



Killam Parent Council News

Next Parent Advisory Meeting is
February 12, 2024
at 7 p.m.
EVERYONE WELCOME!

THANK YOU PARENT COUNCIL

We want to express our gratitude to both our Parent Council and Parent Advisory. This group puts in a lot of work to support our school and we are grateful. Parent Council looks after our hot lunch program, plans staff appreciation activities, supports our Breakfast Program and works hard to ensure our students are well taken care of. Parent Advisory raises funds which help in many ways including purchasing Chromebooks for our school, supporting our PAWSitive Behaviour prizes, field trips and co-curricular activities such as swimming, skating and downhill skiing. We are proud of our parent community and encourage all our families to get involved!

What has KPS been up to?

KILLAM SCHOOL WINS A PIZZA PARTY!!!

KPS did it, they helped fill up Mrs. Nelsons office and helped her make a fort! Thank you to all that brought toilet paper to take to the Food Bank, this is a MAJOR help for them throughout the year!



View inside the Fort



The fort was so big we could get all the



View inside the Fort

Kindergartens in!



80's Day at KPS - Kindergarten showing their 80's spirit!





At the Assembly we split into groups and made towers. This helps build relationships between students of all ages.



January and February Pawsitive Behaviour Awards! Missing: Elsie, Karl, Riley G. and Olivia.

Upcoming Events

- February 15/16-Teachers Convention (No School)
- February 19 - Family Day (No School)
- February 26 - PD Day (No School)
- March 7 - Early Dismissal - Jersey Day

Yearly School Calendars

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Extras You May be Interested In

For Ages 9-12

**STAY SAFE
(HOME ALONE)**

Killam Public Library
March 22, 2024
2:30 - 4:30
\$40

Please call 780-385-3032 to register.

Your payment by cash, cheque,
e-transfer confirms your registration
friendsofkillampubliclibrary@gmail.com

The poster features a young girl with curly hair, wearing a grey t-shirt, looking thoughtful with her hand to her chin. The background is a yellow circle with orange dots, set against a white background with blue horizontal lines. A green circle with orange dots is in the top left corner, and a green plus sign is in the top right corner.

THE BEST BABY SITTING COURSE

For ages 11-15

March 22nd, 9 to 2 pm

\$70

Killam Public Library

minimum of 10 registrations required

REGISTER NOW



780-385-3032

YOUR PAYMENT CONFIRMS YOUR REGISTRATION
PAYMENT BY CASH, CHEQUE OR E-TRANSFER TO
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